

FOREIGN NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF STEAMER FRANKLIN.

New York, March 23, 1851.—The steamer Franklin left Coves on the 8th March, at 1 o'clock 30 min. p. m. On the 9th, at 9 a. m., she passed the U. S. Mail steamer Washington, off Sloop Island. The Washington was bound for Southampton.

The accounts of the Kafir war are fully corroborated.

A fair business doing in the manufacturing districts, but the advance in cotton had not been maintained.

ENGLAND.

The Duke of Wellington recommended the recall of Lord John Russell, together with his associates, to the Ministry, on account of the inability of Lord Stanley to form a protectionist Ministry. The Whig Premier has therefore again resumed the reins of power, and no alteration in the construction of the cabinet was likely to take place.

The Papal Aggression bill was to undergo various modifications. A new budget was to be brought forward, and it is probable Sir James Graham, Lord Aberdeen, and others, will form a cabinet with the ministry.

The British Government has provided a fund to defray the expenses, passage, &c. to America, of two hundred and sixty-two Hungarian exiles, just arrived from Turkey.

RUSSIA.

The Emperor of Russia has presented the King of Prussia with a chain of the cross of St. Andrew, a thing never before conferred out of the imperial family. It is valued at one million of roubles.

Tobacco scarce and in fair demand; prices unchanged.

The money market easy, and without special change. Consols 96½.

American stocks firm, and without change from last week's quotations.

ARRIVAL OF STEAMER ARCTIC.

1 day later from Europe.

New York, March 23.—The American mail steamer Arctic arrived here at eight o'clock this morning. She left Liverpool on the 8th inst. During her first night out, while in the English Channel, she was run into by a large ship, and sustained some slight damage, which detained her a short time, and this was instrumental in prolonging her passage.

FRANCE.

The Assembly met on Monday. In the bureau to examine the budget for 1852, it was discovered that the assimilation of the floating debt had increased it to the sum of seventy-one millions francs within the past year. This afforded a subject of general conversation and apprehension in the political circles. Various suggestions were made for means to increase the receipts. This having been made known, it had considerable effect on the Paris bourse. Seventy-fives were selling at 94½, 24c., and seventy-threes 58½.

GERMANY.

Berlin, March 6.—A despatch received from Austria recommends the refusal to comply with the Russian demand. The Government is determined not to recede from these demands, and will, if they are not acceded to, prefer the organization of the old Diet.

SWITZERLAND.

The Swiss Government has addressed a note to the Cabinet at Vienna, promising to appoint some other place of refuge for political fugitives who have given umbrage to Austria.

TURKEY.

A letter from Constantinople, of the 17th, announces the question in regard to the Hungarian refugees as settled.

The Emperor of Austria has granted a full amnesty to the refugees at Kutayah, on condition that they declare never again to re-enter Hungary. Eight of them only are excepted from this clemency, among whom are Kossuth and Count Batthyany.

Dembinski is expected at Constantinople, where he is permitted to reside.

Advices from Smyrna to the 14th say that the island of Samos has surrendered to the Sultan's authority. The leader of the insurrection is to be given over to Turkish officers.

THE MARKETS.

Red wheat 5s. 10d. 4d. 3d. Yellow corn 29s. 6d. 30s. Flour, western 20s. 6d. 21s. 6d. Philadelphia and Baltimore 22 23s. per bbl.

THE ISTHMIAN-CALIFORNIA-OREGON.

The morning papers contain accounts of the arrival of the steamship Crescent City from New York on Friday evening, from Chagres, bringing one hundred and thirty passengers, and \$517,275 in gold, as freight; and of the U. S. mail steamship Ohio, at the same port, on Saturday morning, with the mails from the Isthmus, California, Oregon, and the Sandwich Islands, bringing one hundred and fifty passengers, and \$312,300 in gold dust, on freight.

There were four deaths on board the Crescent City during the passage: F. B. Putnam, Secretary of the Panama Railroad, and Philip Stillman, on the 12th, and Nathan White and William Billings, on the 14th March.

On the 16th instant the Crescent City passed the steamship North America.

THE ISTHMIAN.

The steamships Prometheus and Falcon, and the royal mail steamer Clyde, were at anchor off Chagres when the Crescent City left.

The steamship Mexico left Chagres for New Orleans at noon on the 11th instant, and the Philadelphia at six o'clock the same evening, for Kingston and New Orleans.

The steamers Isthmus and Oregon had arrived at Panama, bringing dates from California to the 15th of February.

There was much excitement on the Isthmus occasioned by ascertaining that a party of travelers had been murdered while on their way from Chagres to Panama.

The Panama Star gives the following as a list of the supposed victims: Thomas McDermott, New York; Joseph Brooks, New York; a man named Moody; Edelele Bepin, of France; Leonore Landry, of Paris; John W. Steele, Waterloo, Indiana; Catherine Cameron; and a man named Patrick.

When the Ohio left Chagres four persons had been arrested, all Carthaginians, and were in close confinement. Armed parties were out in all directions in search of the murderers.

The Ohio left Chagres on the 17th. The steamship Georgia, from New York, was going into the harbor as the Ohio left.

CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco dates are to the 15th February, and Sacramento to the 14th. The election of United States Senator had not taken place, but the 17th of February was the time fixed for a trial. T. Butler King, esq., and Col. Fremont were the two candidates on whom it was thought the contest would narrow down, and says:

"The Democracy do not show their usual cohesion, and upon this showing Mr. King has much hope. A good deal of doubt hangs over the matter, in spite of appearances."

Business was dull at San Francisco. The *Alta California* states that the Indian difficulties are on the increase, and that efforts are being made in the Legislature to provide for a defensive war. The health of the State is good. The Gold Bluff story was a deception.

The north of the State is regarded as the richest in metal.

The quicksilver mines are attracting more attention than heretofore. The principal are the Guadalupe and New Almaden, some four miles distant from each other, about eight miles from San Jose, and can be reached by a good road at all seasons of the year. They are worked extensively, the produce amounting to several millions of dollars the present season, and the yield from the ore is almost past belief. Eighty-five per cent. of pure mercury is not an uncommon yield.

A bill has passed both Houses, by a two-thirds vote, to remove the State capital from San Jose to Malaga, and wants only the signature of the Governor to become a law.

John Barclay, of New York, was killed near Coloma on the 28th of January, in an encounter with Alexander Hall, of Missouri.

John E. Anderson, aged twenty-four, a native of Baltimore, was drowned in Bolesbay, twenty miles north of San Francisco, by the capsizing of a boat.

Dr. Hammond, of the United States Army, died at the residence of Major Sewell, Benicia.

"A Story without a Name," is the title of a story by James, in course of publication. The sameness of his novels in past times has induced persons to accuse him of publishing a story with a great many names.

PAIRIE CHICKENS A STAPLE.—We see it stated that a single consignment of prairie chickens from Lake county, Indiana, paid the year's taxes of the county.

TENNESSEE.—WILLIAM B. CAMPBELL was, on the 21st, nominated for Governor, by a Whig Convention, at Nashville. The Hon. Mr. GENTRY addressed the Convention.

WEEKLY ALMANAC.

1851.	Sun	Sun	Moon's Phases.
MARCH.	Rises.	Sets.	
24. Monday.	6 00	6 16	D. H. M.
25. Tuesday.	5 59	6 15	1 12
26. Wednesday.	5 57	6 13	New 2 28 7 P. M.
27. Thursday.	5 56	6 12	14 30 8 37 P. M.
28. Friday.	5 54	6 10	Full 30 37 9 11 A. M.
29. Saturday.	5 53	6 09	1 30 37 9 12 A. M.
30. Sunday.	5 52	6 07	1 30 37 9 12 A. M.

MONEY AND STOCK MARKET.

Corrected for the American Telegraph, March 24th.

DISCOUNT ON CURRENT BANK NOTES.

Maine.	par	1/2	1/2
N. York.	par	1/2	1/2
Vermont.	par	1/2	1/2
Mass.	par	1/2	1/2
N. England.	par	1/2	1/2
N. Y. City.	par	1/2	1/2
N. Y. State.	par	1/2	1/2
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EXCHANGE.

London.	par	1/2	1/2
Paris.	par	1/2	1/2
Brussels.	par	1/2	1/2
Amsterdam.	par	1/2	1/2
Frankfurt.	par	1/2	1/2
Berlin.	par	1/2	1/2
Vienna.	par	1/2	1/2
St. Petersburg.	par	1/2	1/2
Shanghai.	par	1/2	1/2
Canton.	par	1/2	1/2

LANDS SACRED AND CLASSICAL.

Open on Monday evening, the 24th of March, for a fortnight, at

ODD FELLOWS' HALL, WASHINGTON.

LILLIAN'S Grand Modern Transparency of the River Nile, Egypt, and Nubia, together with a magnificent collection of Egyptian Antiquities, Amulets, &c., and splendid Tablets of Hieroglyphical Writing, in Papyrus and Scrolling. Oral descriptions, comprising the latest Archaeological Descriptions, by George R. Gliddon, formerly Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

Every evening at 8 o'clock; Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at 4 o'clock.

Doors open at 7 o'clock. Admission 25 cents.

Tickets for sale also at the principal hotels and book and music stores, &c. mar 24—tf

TEMPERANCE MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON.

Public Temperance Meetings are held by the Free-Press Vigilant Total Abstinence Society every Sunday night at Temperance Hall, on Friday night at the Schoolhouse on English Hill, commencing at seven o'clock.

Doors open at 6 o'clock. Admission 25 cents.

Tickets for sale also at the principal hotels and book and music stores, &c. mar 24—tf

IMITATION FRENCH HATS.

Just received a few cases of Counterfeit French HATS, to which I would invite attention.

TAYLOR, mar 24—tf

FRENCH UMBRELLAS.

Just received, per ship Germania, one case of FRENCH UMBRELLAS, beautifully adapted to the present season.

TAYLOR, mar 24—tf

FRENCH CANES.

JUST RECEIVED, per ship Germania, 1 case of Paris CANES. The styles are exceedingly beautiful and new.

TAYLOR, mar 24—tf

General Banking and Exchange Business.

COPARTNERSHIP.

THE undersigned respectfully announces to the public that they have entered into copartnership for the transaction of a general Banking and Exchange business in the city of Washington, under the firm of

SKELDEN, WITHERS & CO.

All business entrusted to them will be attended to with promptness and fidelity.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

BALTIMORE, March 31—2 p. m.

The news by the last steaming production quiet in the Baltimore market. Nothing done in flour. Grain unchanged. Northern market unchanged. No general news of interest. Mr. Skinner's funeral was largely attended.

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!

McLAIN & HARRY have just received from the Eastern States a large supply of SPRING GOODS, consisting of choice patterns of Merino, Cashmere, Hosiery, and Allen's make of prints, ranging from 6 1/2 to 12 1/2 cts. New style Plain Pattern Mouseline de Laines, Scotch, English, and Domestic Ginghams, from 6 1/2 to 12 cts.

Brown and Bleached Muslins; 5, 6, 8, 10, and 12-4 Sheet Muslins. Bird-Eye and Buckram Diapers, Scotch Rolls. Brown and Bleached Table Linens. 12 dozen Superior Double Damask Table Cloths and Napkins. Undressed Irish Linens, from the best factories in Ireland.

Jacquet, plain and plaid Cambric Muslins. Swiss Mull and Lace Mullins. 50 dozen Bevon's Kid Gloves; together with a large stock of Goods too numerous to mention, which we offer to buyers at very reduced prices, and earnestly solicit a call.

Penn. avenue, 21 door west of 7th street.

Case Prints, beautiful styles and fast colors, for 6 1/2 cts.

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PATENT WEATHER GUARDS.

PROTECTION, COMFORT, AND ECONOMY.

A HALL respectfully informs the citizens of Washington and Georgetown, that he is now prepared to execute all orders, with promptness and dispatch, of those who may be annoyed by the wind and rain driving under their doors, thereby destroying carpets, ruining furniture, and rotting the sills and floor, so that, in a short time, they are obliged to replace them. The merit of these weather-protecting instruments need only be seen to be appreciated. Out of a large list of persons for whom we have put them on, I beg leave to refer to the following gentlemen:

Hon. W. W. Seaton, ex-Mayor, Washington.

Captain Meade, U. S. Army, and U. S. Observatory.

Hon. B. B. French, ex-Mayor, Washington.

Dr. R. C. Johnson, ex-Mayor, Washington.

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